

Jail & Huber Utilization Committee

Thursday, February 13, 2020 – 8:30am Milwaukee County Courthouse, Rm 609

Meeting Minutes:

Attendees Present: Tom Reed, Mandy Potapenko, Angelique Richards (phone), Crystal Reynolds (phone), Peter Koneazny, Stephanie Garbo, Julie Schroeder, Rob Glowicki, Rose Stietz, Brandon Hutchins, Erin King, Aaron Dobson, Dave Rugaber, Alyssa Doman, Adam Oldenburg, Nathan Jussila, Erin Perkins

- 1) Introductions and Call Meeting to Order Chair Reed called the meeting to order at 8:35 AM, recognizing everyone for arriving promptly despite the snowstorm. Those present provided introductions.
- 2) MacArthur Foundation Safety and Justice Challenge Progress Report Director Potapenko opened discussion. As a result of collaborative efforts, Milwaukee County has reached a 20.4% reduction in its local jail population since the inception of the MacArthur SJC work. Additional discussion was had regarding the impacts of individual strategies. The goal/target provided by the MacArthur Foundation has been met; in order to maintain funding, the foundation requested additional impact calculations beyond those previously anticipated.

The current staffing goal is to fill the Jail Population Analyst position, which will help to analyze data and provide direction into target populations. Chair Reed asked attendees their thoughts regarding what a Jail Population Review Committee should look like and who should be involved. The committee began discussions about the potential formation and criteria of the committee. Any thoughts about the committee should be sent to Director Potapenko.

- 3) Data and Trends Population, Staffing, Programming, etc. House of Corrections, Department of Corrections MSDF, DHS/WCS Treatment to Competency, Wisconsin Community Services, and Justice Point provided updates on current trends.
- 4) Other Business/Partner Updates/Announcements/Requests for Discussion Chair Reed announced the Pretrial Justice Institute (PJI) issued a memo revoking their support for risk assessment tools in criminal justice reform. The National Association of Pretrial Services Agencies (NAPSA) and others have released additional statements. Further discussions will occur at future meetings; however, Milwaukee County currently remains committed to utilizing risk assessment tools in adherence to the many years of working to build an evidence-based system.
- **5) Adjourn –** Meeting adjourned at 9:59am. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 12, 2020, 8:30am, in Courthouse, Room 609.